(b) if so, by when Government would issue the sanction for construction of by-passes connecting Ajmer-Jaipur road (N.H.8) to Jaipur-Tonk road (N.H.12), Tonk-Jaipur road (N.H.12) to Jaipur-Agra (N.H.11) and Agra-Jaipur (N.H.11) to Jaipur-Delhi road (N.H.8); and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) Proposal for construction of by-passes connecting Ajmer-Jaipur road (National Highway 8) with Jaipur-Tonk road (National Highway 12), Jaipur-Agra (National Highway 11) and Jaipur-Delhi (National Highway 8) are under consideration for inclusion in National Highway Development Project (NHDP) Phase-VII which is yet to be approved by the Government of India.

Uniform driving licence

2808. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a representation from the Road Safety Forum for a uniform driving licence all over the country;

(b) the details of this representation;

(c) the steps proposed to examine this representation and implement this dire need;

(d) whether any clarifications were called for by Government; and

(e) the inhibition to Government to take up such ideas and implement them rapidly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In the representation, the need for National Drivers' Licence, a format of driving licence, common test for drivers and computerization of records have been raised.

(c) to (e) The representation has been examined in the Department. No clarification has been called for by the Government.

Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 contain specific provisions prescribing the procedure for granting the licences,

testing and examination prior to grant of driving licences, the validity of the licence in terms of various classes of vehicles to be driven and the time period. These rules are uniform throughout the country.

Implementation of these provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 is the responsibility of State Governments.

Movement of pedestrians on Delhi-Noida Flyover

†2809. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is a ban on the movement of pedestrians and cyclists on the Delhi-Noida-Delhi flyover;

(b) whether any such orders have been issued;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Government have received any complaints in this regard;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the matter has been enquired into; if so, the outcome thereof; and

(g) the details of the erring officials and the action taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (g) This Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways. The said bridge constructed by NOIDA Toll Bridge Co. Ltd. is on the State Highway connecting Delhi and Noida of Uttar Pradesh. The subject matter thus pertains to these States.

Construction and development of National Highways

†2810. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have set a target of investing one lakh eighty thousand crore rupees for constructing and developing National Highways and Golden Quadrilateral Roads with the view of infrastructural development;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.